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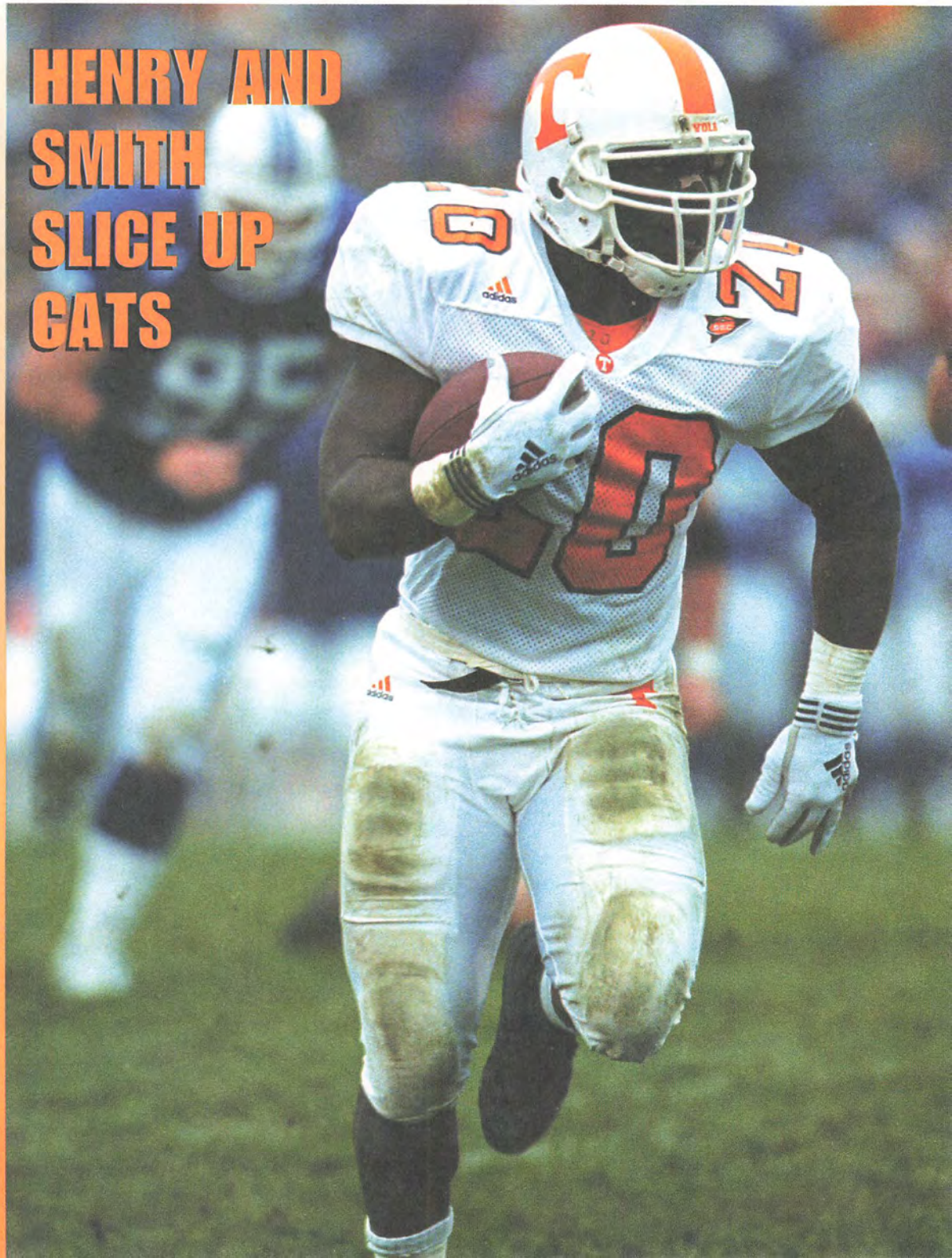

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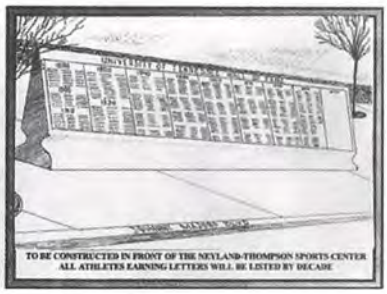

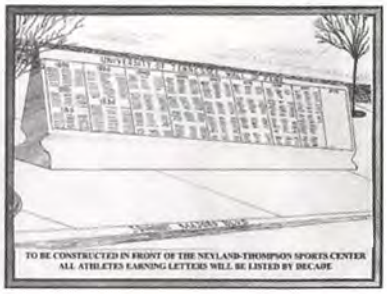

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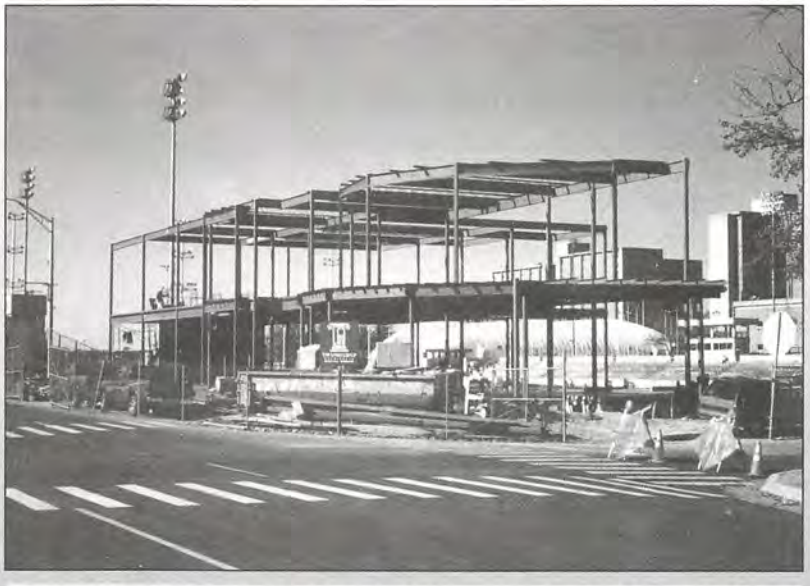

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Tennessee 56, Kentucky 21...

Vols Bounce Back, Bounce Cats

Freshman defensive tackle John Henderson collected one of three sacks on the day, two of which belonged to Henderson for (-8) yards.

Commonwealth Stadium, Lexington, Ky., game no. 1039 (698-288-53, .697)

It was Tennessee and Kentucky squaring off for the 95th time in a series that dates to 1893 in weather conditions symbolic of the border state rivalry: rain, fog, and cold, most of the time all at once.

When all was said and done, a record Commonwealth Stadium crowd of 71,022 (and have you noticed how many record or near-record crowds the Vols have drawn on the road this season?) saw the Vols race to a 27-0 lead early in the second quarter.

Kentucky closed the margin to 27-14by halftime, but the Vols jetted away again in the latter stages of the third stanza and the early part of the fourth to claim the one-sided victory.

The win marked Phillip Fulmer's 75th win as head coach of the Vols against 13 losses. His .852 winning percentage ranks him first among NCAA Division I coaches. He also has a 50-9 mark (.847) in SEC games.

The Vols, scoring over 50 points against the Wildcats for the fourth time in as many seasons and fifth time in the 1990s, recovered in the correct fashion from the events at Fayetteville a week earlier. The Vols also swept the Wildcats in the decade of the 1990s.

Tailback Travis Henry, pressed into service when Jamal Lewis couldn't go because of a bum ankle, carried 23 times for 179 yards and three scores, on runs of 40, 61 and 13 that staked the Vols to a decisive first-half lead from which

Kentucky couldn't rally.

Tee Martin, who seemingly does nothing but win, added a 1-yard run for a score, threw a TD passes to Cedrick Wilson and David Martin, good for 29 and 21 yards respectively, and added an extra point run that helped restore order at 35-14 with 2:45 left in the third stanza.

Freshman running back Onterrio Smith had 10 carries for 82 yards and left blueshirts in his wake with a 61-yarder with 11:30 left in the fourth period. He added another TD on a 1-yard run later in the period.

Vol defenders intercepted five passes and generally made life miserable for Wildcat signal-caller Dusty Bonner all afternoon. Deon Grant had two picks, and Andre Lott, Raynoch Thompson and defensive end DeAngelo Lloyd had one each.

John Henderson, a man among men up front, had two sacks (-8) and rookie tackle Albert Haynesworth added another (-5). Haynesworth added a lost-yardage tackle (-1), as did Thompson(-1), Willie Miles (-2) and and Gerald Griffin (-1). Thompson led with nine tackles, followed by Derrick Edmonds with seven and linebacker/defensive back Fred White added six.

The Vols had 294 yards rushing and 171 passing en route to the triumph. Kentucky could amass but 117 rushing and had 478 overall. The Vols knocked home 56 points in 27:20 possession time.

The Vols roared out of the gate with 21 points on their first three possessions. Eric Parker had a key catch for 26 on the first series on third-and-5 and Tee found Wilson at the back end of the west end zone (the one with the Tennessee fans) from 29 yards out for the score.

Lott's interception led to a second score as Tee found Parker for 20, Henry rumbled off right tackle for 7 and Parker took in a 10-yarder. Henry then outlegged everybody for the score from 40 yards out off the right side.

When the Vols got it back a series later, Henry hit left guard for 5, lost 2 and Kentucky lost 15 yards on an interference call against Wilson. From the Vol 39, Henry hit off left tackle and zipped down the near side for a 61-yard score.

It was 21-0 with 3:48 left.

Things got better when Raynoch Thompson pilfered a Bonner pass and the Vols cashed the break in with a 13-yard run by Henry to his left to the far side. The extra point failed for the first time in an eternity and it was 27-0 with 10:31 left.

The Wildcats tried to climb off the

WHAT OTHERS SAID...

"The University of Kentucky football team can line up against Tennessee with five wide receivers or with no wide receivers. It can dust off every trick play or stick with the meat and potatoes. The Wildcats can come into the Tennessee game with their head coach's job on the line or they can challenge the Vols one day after their coach's contract was extended for the third time in three years. They can upset Arkansas, overwhelm Louisiana State and make Georgia sweat. They can be bowl eligible or 1-9. Dusty Bonner can play quarterback or Pookie Jones can play quarterback. Details, folks, simply details. In the end it does not matter whether the sun shines or the sun hides. The Wildcats still cannot do a thing to stop the Vols from ringing up a Nintendo-style, nifty 50-plus points every time the chinstraps are buckled."

—Rick Bozich, Louisville Courier-Journal

"Tennessee, its pride wounded and its dreams ruined, unloaded on a familiar punching bag yesterday. But to hear the No. 7-ranked Vols tell it, the opponent was irrelevant. They were looking for anybody to pound, and Kentucky just happened to be the sacrificial lamb in a 56-21 romp before a record crowd of 71,022 at rain-soaked Commonwealth Stadium."

—Chris Low, The Tennessean

"Pity the Big Blue. They swap coaches, expand the stadium, build skyboxes, even grow grass over your adidas high tops but the results have a familiar ring. The more the Wildcats change, the more the outcome stays the same. The Beer Barrel may have been placed in cold storage, sacrificed in the name of political correctness, but the Vols still popped the top on Kentucky. The streak is now 15 — and counting. And if you think the 56-21 score is anything special, you haven't been taking notes. On Phillip Fulmer's seven-year watch, UT has beaten Kentucky by an average of 35.7 points. It might be the surest thing in the SEC. If they played this game down the road at Keeneland, you'd cash in your 401K, head to the window and bet it all on the orange horse, Vol o' War. Look at it this way: Who else could pile up 478 yards against the Vols and still lose by 35? Some will argue that Kentucky was simply in the wrong place at the wrong time, that and on-the-rebound Tennessee, playing with the passion that was absent in the Ozarks last weekend, was bound to vent some BCS frustration on any unfortunate soul that lay in its path."

—David Climer, The Tennessean

"Paybacks can be the dickens - even if it wasn't the team that had caused you the pain. Kentucky had the misfortune of catching Tennessee after it had suffered a damaging loss at Arkansas the week before and the No. 7-ranked Vols laid it on the Wildcats, 56-21, before the largest crowd in the history of Commonwealth Stadium on Saturday. Travis Henry, filling in for an injured Jamal Lewis, rushed for a season-high 179 yards on 23 carries and three first-half touchdowns. Freshman Onterrio Smith added 82 yards on 10 carries and two more scores and quarterback Tee Martin passed 155 yards, two touchdowns and ran for another as the Vols buried the Wildcats before 71,022 rain-drenched fans."

—Ron Bliss, Kingsport Times-News

"Kentucky still expects back-to-back bowl berths for the first time since 1983-84. It still has a surprising six-victory season. Yet there is still a chasm between the good and the great in the Southeastern Conference, and UK remains on the short side of the divide. UK played seventh-ranked Tennessee even much of Saturday afternoon but only after allowing the Volunteers an early lead they wouldn't lose. By the time the Wildcats tired, it got ugly, ending 56-21."

—Neil Schmidt, Cincinnati Enquirer

"He would hit the hole like normal. But from then on, nothing was normal. Instead of feeling bodies slam into him and arms wrap him up, as soon as he would get past the line of scrimmage, he was almost lonely he was so much by himself. Nothing in front of him but empty space, green grass and a waiting end zone. Three times that happened to the Tennessee tailback Saturday in the Volunteers' 56-21 victory over Kentucky, on touchdown runs of 40, 61 and 13 yards. For Henry, it was almost scary how much open air was in front of him all day long."

—Tony Pettis, Maryville Daily Times

mat from that point and closed the margin to 27-13 at the half. Were Vol fans worried? You bet, but the good guys found another gear after halftime to outscore Kentucky 29-7 and coast home.

Tennessee got the spheroid at the 42 with 6:45 left in the period after Vol defenders stopped the Wildcats on their first two possessions of the half. Those were two big defensive series.

Tee ran the quarterback draw for 8, sent Henry off right guard for 3 and got another pass interference call that yielded a first down at the UK 34. (It could have been six, but the Kentucky DB chose to take a 15-yard infraction rather than give up a score). Henry ran for 5 and 1 and Martin converted a third-and-4 with another run for 7 to again move the chains.

Tee sent the flow to the left and found David Martin shockingly wide open in the right flat and David knew exactly what to do, rambling in from 21 yards out. The Vols went for two and Tee converted the opportunity with a keeper at right end.

A fumble recovery by Mikki Allen was immediately converted into points as Smith ran for 3 yards and Tee found Donte' Stallworth for 34 to get it to the one. Tee then ran it home to make the count 42-14.

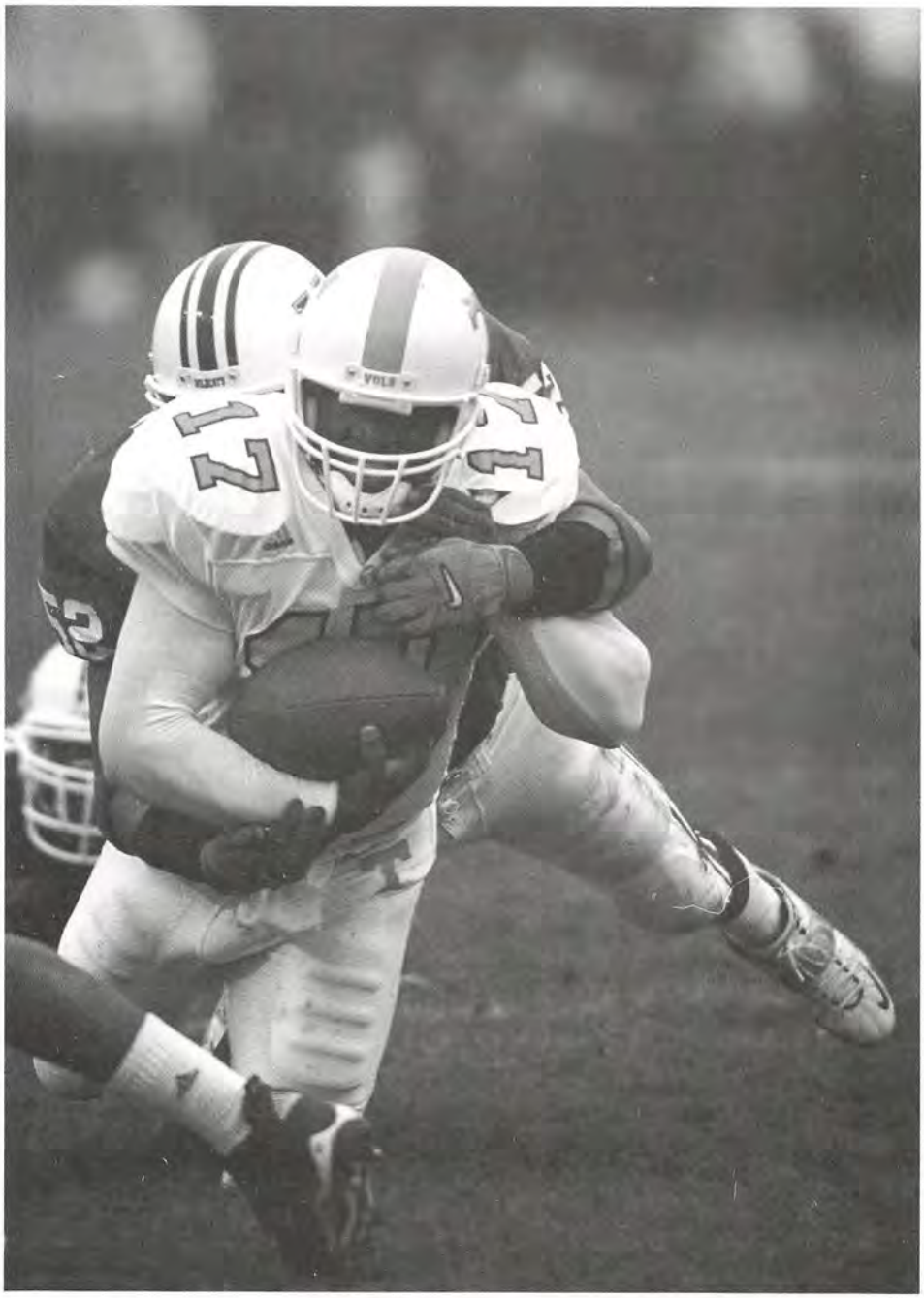
The fourth quarter belonged to Smith after the Vols stopped a Kentucky fourth down try at the UT 39. Smith hit the right side and found the express lane to the near vicinity of Versailles for a 61-yard scoring run.

When Grant grabbed his first interception at the UK 22 and Joey Mathews was under center for the Vols, Smith carried for 2, 6 and 3 yards and, after a loss of 4 against Joey, Smith ran for 13 and leaped over the pile for 2 yards and the Vols' final score.

Grant added another interception and that was that.

GAME NOTES: Tennessee leads the series 63-23-9 and have won the past 15 meetings, longest streak in the series. They have also won the last nine at Commonwealth Stadium, their last loss coming in 1981... It was Henry's seventh 100-yard plus game and a season-high 173 yards for the Frostproof, Fla., junior... The Vols are 58-7 in their last 65 games.. Tennessee ranked no. 7 in last week's polls, has been ranked in the Top 10 for the last 51 weeks and 63 of the last 64... The Vols are 55-3 in the month of November since 1985... Thompson's interception was his third of the season and third in as many games... Lott's pick was his third of the season... Henry has rushed for 384 yards on 51 attempts in the last three games (7.5 yards per carry and 128 per game)... Martin's TD gave him 16 for his career, extending his UT record.

— Volunteers Magazine Staff



Tee Martin threw two touchdown passes, scored one of his own, and added a two-point conversion in Tennessee's 56-21 win over Kentucky Saturday at Lexington.

Division	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
EAST				
Florida*	7	1	9	2
Tennessee	5	2	8	2
Georgia	5	3	7	3
Kentucky	4	4	6	5
Vanderbilt	2	5	5	5
S. Carolina	0	9	0	11
WEST				
Alabama*	7	1	9	2
Miss. State	5	2	8	2
Ole Miss	4	3	7	3
Arkansas	4	3	7	3
Auburn	2	6	5	6
LSU	0	7	2	8

** Denotes Division Champion and SEC Championship Game Representative*
(As of Nov. 21)

SEC Scores

Mississippi State Bulldogs	**9**
Arkansas Razorbacks	**14**
Alabama Crimson Tide	**28**
Auburn Tigers	**17**
Georgia Bulldogs	**20**
Ole Miss Rebels	**17**
Florida State Seminoles	**30**
Florida Gators	**23**
Clemson Tigers	**31**
South Carolina Gamecocks	**21**

Open -- LSU Tigers
Vanderbilt Commodores

RANKINGS (AP & USA Today/ESPN)
UT 7 & 7, UK Not Ranked

GAME NOTES

Tonterrio Smith had a career-best 82 yards rushing and two TDs on 10 carries. His 61-yard TD run was a career long jaunt for the California frosh.

Raynoch Thompson had his third interception in as many games. It was his fourth career interception.

The Vols scored five rushing TDs on the day and added three more through the air.

Vol defenders have now given up but two rushing TDs this season (40 quarters) and since the third quarter of last year's Kentucky game have only given up three, covering 49 quarters.

Statistics - Tennessee vs. Kentucky

Team Statistics	T	
First Downs	20	24
Rushing	11	5
Passing	7	18
Penalty	2	1
Rushing Attempts	44	30
Yards Gained	314	137
Yards Lost	20	20
Net Yards Rushing	294	117
Net Yards Passing	171	361
Passes Attempted	22	50
Passes Completed	8	32
Had Intercepted	1	5
Total Offensive Plays	66	80
Total Net Yards	465	478
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Int. Return-Yards	5-82	1-6
Penalties-Yards	6-39	8-70
Third Down Conversions	6-14	6-15
Fourth Down Conversions	1-2	0-1
Punts-Average	5-46.6	6-39.2
Punt Returns-Yards	3-17	3-13
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-53	4-111
Sacks By-Yards	4-18	2-6
Time of Possession	27:20	32:40

SCORE BY QUARTER

TENNESSEE	**21**	**6**	**15**	**14**	**— 56**
ARKANSAS	**0**	**14**	**0**	**7**	**— 21**

SCORING SUMMARY

1T - Wilson, pass from T. Martin 29. Walls kick.
Drive: 73 yards, 9 plays, 3:50 possession, 9:40 on clock.
1T - Henry, run 40. Walls kick.
Drive: 77 yards, 4 plays, 1:26 possession, 6:38 on clock.
1T - Henry, run 61. Walls kick.
Drive: 79 yards, 3 plays, 1:28 possession, 3:48 on clock.
2T - Henry, run 13. Kick fails.
Drive: 26 yards, 4 plays, 1:10 possession, 10:31 on clock.
2K - Whalen, pass from Bonner 34. Samuel kick.
Drive: 80 yards, 8 plays, 3:40 possession, 6:51 on clock.
2K - White, pass from Bonner 3. Samuel kick.
Drive: 77 yards, 8 plays, 1:35 possession, :20 on clock.
3T - D. Martin, pass from T. Martin 21. T. Martin rush.
Drive: 58 yards, 8 plays, 4:00 possession, 2:45 on clock.
3T - T. Martin run 1. Walls kick.
Drive: 38 yards, 3 plays, 1:03 possession, :47 on clock.
4T - Smith run 61. Walls kick.
Drive: 61 yards, 1 play, :14 possession, 11:30 on clock.
4T - Smith run 2. Walls kick.
Drive: 22 yards, 6 plays, 3:02 possession, 5:28 on clock.
4K - White, pass from Bonner 12. Samuel kick.
Drive: 74 yards, 8 plays, 3:18 possession, 2:10 possession.

TENNESSEE INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING	Att	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Lg
Henry	23	183	4	179	3	61
Smith	10	89	7	82	2	61
T. Martin	8	39	7	32	1	19
Mathews	1	3	0	3	0	3
Team	1	0	0	0	0	0
Biggers	1	0	2	-2	0	0
Totals	***44***	***314***	***20***	***294***	***6***	***61***

PASSING	Att	Comp	Int	Yds	TD	Lg
T. Martin	18	7	0	155	2	34
Mathews	4	1	1	16	0	16
Totals	***22***	***8***	***1***	***171***	***2***	***34***

RECEIVING	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Parker	3	56	0	26
Stallworth	2	50	0	34
C. Wilson	2	44	1	29
D. Martin	1	21	1	21
Totals	***8***	***171***	***2***	***34***

PUNTING	No	Yds	Avg	LP
Leaverton	5	233	46.6	52
Totals	***5***	***233***	***46.6***	***52***

PUNT RET.	Ret	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg
Parker	3	17	5.7	0	12
Totals	***3***	***17***	***5.7***	***0***	***12***

KO RET.	Ret	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg
L. Scott	2	30	15.0	0	23
Smith	1	23	23.0	0	23
Totals	***3***	***53***	***17.7***	***0***	***23***

INT. RET.	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Grant	2	42	0	42
Thompson	1	20	0	20
Lloyd	1	20	0	20
Lott	1	20	0	16
Totals	***5***	***82***	***0***	***42***

FGs	0-29	30-39	40-49	50-60	60+LK
Walls	None Attempted				
Totals	***None Attempted***				

KENTUCKY INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING	Att	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Lg
Bonner	21	79	19	60	0	13
White	4	50	0	50	0	36
Pinner	3	6	0	6	0	2
Homer	1	2	0	2	0	2
Wesley	1	0	1	-1	0	0
Totals	***30***	***137***	***20***	***117***	***0***	***36***

PASSING	Att	Comp	Int	Yds	TD	Lg
Bonner	50	32	5	361	3	34
Totals	***50***	***32***	***5***	***361***	***3***	***34***

RECEIVING	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Whalen	9	114	1	34
White	7	70	2	16
D. Smith	6	85	0	32
Blizzard	5	60	0	20
Shanklin	2	27	0	14
Homer	2	3	0	5
Pyatt	1	2	0	2
Totals	***32***	***361***	***3***	***34***

PUNTING	No	Yds	Avg	LP
A. Smith	6	235	39.2	51
Totals	***6***	***235***	***39.2***	***51***

PUNT RET.	Ret	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg
Shanklin	3	13	4.3	0	6
Totals	***3***	***13***	***4.3***	***0***	***6***

KO RET.	Ret	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg
Shanklin	3	91	30.3	0	51
Simms	1	20	20.0	0	20
Totals	***4***	***111***	***27.8***	***0***	***51***

INT. RET.	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Tatum	1	6	0	6
Totals	***1***	***6***	***0***	***6***

FGs	0-29	30-39	40-49	50-60	60+LK
Samuel	None Attempted				
Totals	***None Attempted***				

Fulmer File...

KENTUCKY GAME 1999

Even with a productive week of practice in Knoxville, there were serious concerns about our invasion of Commonwealth Stadium for the annual confrontation with our border-state rivals, the Kentucky Wildcats.

Most of all, we were wary of a Kentucky team that had played itself into a position to receive a bowl bid and hope to impress visiting scouts with a win over the Vols. As always, the Wildcats would be going all out in their traditional closing game of the regular season.

Another concern was about our defensive situation. Injuries had forced us to go up against the Wildcats without our dependable junior linebacker, Eric Westmoreland, and with tackle Darwin Walker restricted to limited duty. As the game got underway, we had end Will Overstreet opening at tackle, Bernard Jackson moving into a starting role at end, Raynoch Thompson moving from outside linebacker to the middle, Fred White going from safety to right linebacker, Mikki Allen starting for White at strong safety, and Anthony Sessions making his starting debut at outside linebacker.

We had confidence in all of the players I mentioned, every one of them a quality Volunteer. But it is not comforting to have to send out a defense made up largely of new starters and others in new positions. That's especially dangerous against a team with the talented skill players who had made Kentucky a leader in a number of statistical categories.

I need not have worried too much, because the Vols came into the game focused on the task at hand. They were ready to play and had obviously put the Arkansas game out of their minds. The fighting spirit enabled them to bounce back from a bad momentum switch that occurred in the second quarter. By halftime, the Wildcats had cut our lead to two touchdowns. In the dressing room, I issued a challenge: regain the momentum from Kentucky by slowing down their offense and manufacturing points of our own.

It took a few possessions, but the Martins hooked up -- David and Tee -- for a fifth touchdown that gave us a little breathing room. The defense, which snared five interceptions, held the Wildcats scoreless in the second half until they tallied in the final minutes on a Dusty Bonner pass. I was proud of the way our defensive players, despite having a patched-up lineup, stood in there against Kentucky when the game was still on the line.

Our players are a cohesive group. They give a supreme effort under the most difficult circumstances. Jamal Lewis' ankle was bothering him, so we decided not to risk further injury even though he told us he would play if we needed him. We are fortunate to have a tandem like him and Travis Henry to handle the running chores. Those two stalwarts have a super attitude. Travis, playing behind a line that played one of its best games, was devastating against the Wildcats. Talk about rising to the occasion. He did it in no uncertain terms. Three touchdowns on 23 carries for 179 yards represented a great day's work for our powerful junior tailback from Frostproof, Fla. Freshman tailback Onterrio Smith also chipped in brilliantly in the absence of Jamal, scoring a TD on a 61-yard burst and then adding another later.

Speaking for all Vols and their coaches, I can assure you that it's a wonderful feeling to come home from Lexington with a win over this great traditional rival.

One of the most sentimental moments for me in coaching comes Thanksgiving Day. In a ceremony that allows me to let the players know how much I care for them, I bid farewell to the seniors. It's not a media event, and we don't beam it to the fans. It's strictly for the squad. "The Last Tackle," in which each senior runs through a lane formed by the teammates, brings out the emotion for everybody who participates. I will have a lot of good things to say about the careers of Tee Martin, Spencer Riley, Chad Clifton, Billy Ratliff, Darwin Walker and Dwayne Goodrich. These are the captains, but I am equally proud of the entire senior contingent. I'll have more to say about them in the next issue.

Our goal right now is to get ready for a Vanderbilt team that is one of the best Commodore squads I have seen in a long time. They will come to Neyland Stadium intent on winning a bowl invitation. More importantly, perhaps, they'll be looking for a win over their old rivals to the east, the Tennessee Vols. We need a good week of practice and the support of 100,00-plus UT fans to make sure that doesn't happen. I hope you will be there Saturday for the noon kickoff.

—Phillip Fulmer

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Ben Byrd on the Vols...

Thanksgiving Day 1936 - The Kentucky Game

If I have my memory straight, the first Tennessee-Kentucky football game I ever saw was on Thanksgiving Day of 1936, at Shields-Watkins field. I remember it much more vividly than most Vol games I saw as a kid, largely, I think, because of the weather.

It was cold, bitterly cold. A biting cold. I can't recall if there was very much, or even any, snow that day, but I remember sitting in the West side grandstand freezing to death and telling my mother that I wasn't cold at all, and that it was a delightful day. After all, it was a Tennessee football game.

I remember that Kentucky led 6-0 until the closing minutes of play, when the Vols mounted a scoring drive. Phantom Phil Dickens was the Vols' big star that season, and he was a really gifted tailback. He has sort of been regarded by history as the man in between Beattie Feathers in the early 1930s and George Cafego in the late 1930s, but the old Phantom could play the game. He led the march downfield and when the Vols got to the 1-yard line, they gave the ball to fullback Joe Dougherty and he bucked it across. I remember that because the story was that Dougherty, who had been a guard in his previous two seasons on the Hill, had never scored a TD and this was his last chance.

They drove north to south for that score. The south end zone was open except for a small row of bleachers. And I remember it was Jim Porter who kicked the winning extra point. I've had a little help remembering that; somewhere in Stokely Athletic Center there is a picture of Porter nailing that PAT. That PAT gave Tennessee a 7-6 victory.

In a way that game so long ago was sort of a stereotype for the way things have gone for Kentucky in this old rivalry. I don't know how many Volunteer-Wildcat games I've seen since then, dozens, anyway. And it seems that as often as not the Wildcats have played a gallant game only to lose out at the end.

They have had so many memorable players, our friends from Lexington. In those years immediately after World War II, when Bear Bryant was the head coach, the Wildcats boasted some of the most gifted players in college football. George Blanda was the quarterback for a couple of years. Big Bob Gain was perhaps the best tackle in the game at the time. My old friend Wallace (Wah Wah) Jones was an All-America end who never played on a winning UK football team against the Vols, but he got even in basketball. And of course, there was the "Kentucky Babe," Vito Parilli.

Parilli rewrote the Southeastern Conference passing records during his three seasons as the Wildcat quarterback. And I still find it hard to believe that in those three seasons Kentucky never scored a single point against Tennessee. Their scores were up into the 30 to 40-point range against everybody else, but the Vols' old wide tackle six defense hung three straight collars on the Babe. Gen. Bob Neyland always gave Emmett Lowery the credit for much of that. Lowery, the Vol basketball coach, scouted the Wildcats in those years and his reports were said to be masterpieces.

We are used to Tennessee beating Kentucky on a regular basis these days, but there are still some folks around who can remember when the Wildcats had the Vols' number. From 1952 to 1964 the Big Blue held an 8-3-2 edge over their longtime tormentors from the South, and most of it was the handiwork of the man who followed Bryant as Kentucky's head coach.

Blanton Collier was his name, and he was a brilliant student of the game as well as one of its true gentlemen. Collier did not have a gaudy record at Kentucky overall, but somehow he managed to have his troops ready for Tennessee every season. Some thought that he saved his job two or three times with upset wins over UK's ancient enemies, but the fact is that he was a much better coach than UK fans gave him credit for being. After Kentucky fired him, he became the head coach of the Cleveland Browns and led them to the National Football League championship.

The most memorable Kentucky win of the Blanton era was the 20-6 triumph at Lexington in 1957. That was the day when Wildcat tackle Lou Michaels forced a fumble near the Tennessee end zone for one touchdown and blocked a Vol punt for another. To this day, I have never seen a lineman dominate a football game as he did that day.

Since the Blanton Collier era, Kentucky has had very little success against the Vols in regard to wins and losses, although their performances have often been outstanding. The last time Kentucky was able to claim two straight wins over Tennessee was 1976-77. The last Wildcat victory, period, was in 1984, 15 years ago, by a 17-12 count.

Now Kentucky football seems to be mounting a renaissance of sorts, and as far as I'm concerned, that is good news for Tennessee as well. These old traditional rivalries are the greatest treasures in college football, and as much as we may pull for one side or the other, they lose some of their charm when the pendulum swings too far in one direction.

Former Vol

Austin Shofner (1936)

Austin C. Shofner was a 1937 graduate of the University of Tennessee, lettering in wrestling and football.

Shofner served in the 4th Marine Regiment in defense of the Philippines when World War II began. Upon the surrender of Corregidor, he endured 11 months as a Japanese prisoner of war.

He led the first (and only), successful escape from a Japanese prison camp in World War II, leading 11 of his countrymen to freedom and exposing the atrocities committed against American POWs and citizens of the Philippines.

Shofner received the Army's Distinguished Service Cross, the Legion of Merit with a V for valor, two silver stars, the Bronze Star with a V, two Purple Hearts, the Chinese Cloud and Banner and numerous campaign and service medals.

He retired from the Marines and returned to Bedford County, where he lived until his death Nov. 14 in Shelbyville.

UT letterman and Brig. Gen. (ret.) Austin Shofner served his country well and was a civic and business leader in his home town of Shelbyville.

Harriers Miss NCAA Bid

Tennessee's 22rd-ranked cross country squad missed the cut for making the NCAA Championships field because the Vols didn't finish in the top two of the NCAA South Region Championships. Tennessee finished its first 10 K race of the season in fourth in a field of 23 with 113 points at the Indian Pines Golf Course in Auburn, Ala.

Southern Mississippi won the event with 67 points while Alabama took second with 83 points. The top two squads automatically advance to the NCAA Championships slated for Nov. 22 in Bloomington, Ind. In addition, 13 other squads throughout the nation will be selected on Nov. 15 for an at-large berth in the NCAAs.

Senior co-captain Anthony Famiglietti crossed the line first for Tennessee in a time of 29:44.50 to place fifth in the field of 161 to earn a spot in the NCAA Championships. Steed, a junior from Jackson, finished 20th in 30:46.96. Clark, a freshman, placed 24th in a time of 30:56.63. Senior Jon Jamison crossed in 31:13.22 to finish 28th. Freshman Colin Rochford rounded out the Tennessee scoring by finishing 37th with a time of 31:24.67 (Rochford's finish was tabulated as 36th for the team score because an unattached individual finished ahead of him).

Volleyball Closes Out Season With Win

In their final regular season home match, the Lady Vols' senior duo of Erika Brez and Lauren Clayton propelled the Tennessee volleyball team to a dramatic 3-2 (15-10, 15-3, 12-15, 12-15, 15-12) victory over Georgia Nov. 14 at the Stokely Athletics Center. The win marked the first time since 1996 that the Lady Vols have swept the season series from the Bulldogs. The victory improved the Lady Vols to 18-12 overall and 8-6 in the Southeastern Conference, while Georgia concludes its season at 10-15 and 5-9 in conference play.

Brez led the Orange and White with a career-high 22 kills in addition to posting a stellar .450 hitting percentage. Freshman outside hitter Jennifer Elliott was impressive as she shattered her career-best with 29 digs to go along with 23 from freshman outside hitter Kelli Scott. Sophomore middle blocker Ariana Wilson established new career- and Stokely Arena-records with 11 blocks, and completed the double-double with 15 kills. Also in doubles figures in kills for Tennessee were sophomore middle blocker Stephanie Knight with 13, while Scott added 12 and Elliott recorded 10.

Lady Vol Swim Team Falls

The No. 17 University of Tennessee Lady Vol swimming and diving team fell, 124-121, to No. 20 Kentucky Nov. 13 in a home Southeastern Conference dual meet. The Lady Vols move to 2-1 overall and 0-1 in the SEC.

With Tennessee down eight points heading into the final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay, the Lady Vol entries pressed hard from wall to wall. The unit of freshman Sara Wingfield, junior Tanya Felton, sophomore Elizabeth Philp and senior Teresa Moodie came away victorious with a time of 3:27.32, winning by just .47 seconds. However, Kentucky captured the second and third place positions to win the meet by three points.

Tennessee had the edge in scoring through the first 10 events, holding a 12-point margin after the second race, but Kentucky was closing the gap. The Wildcats took over after sweeping the three-meter diving and maintained the lead to move to 3-0 in dual meets this season.

The Lady Vols collected six first-place performances, including a pair of individual wins by Moodie. She topped both sprint freestyle events, clocking times of 23.78 in the 50-yard free and 50.84 in the 100-yard free. Her 100 free mark was also an NCAA B standard qualifying time. In addition to wins in both the 400-yard medley and 400-yard free relays, Tennessee's other first-place marks came from sophomores Monica Shannahan and Cortney Piper. Shannahan claimed the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 2:03.67 and Piper recorded a time of 10:17.73 in the 1000-yard free for first place.

Other strong performances for the Lady Vols were second-place marks by junior Pam Hanson in both the 400-yard individual medley and 200-yard backstroke. Junior Azurdee Engel took second in the 500-yard free with a time of 5:04.31. Also, freshman Nicole Brannock recorded a season-best time of 2:23.90 in the 200-yard breaststroke to finish in third place, and freshman Bethany Hall claimed third in the 50-yard free.

Cross-Country Team Misses NCAAs

The Tennessee women's cross country team finished in ninth place overall at the NCAA South Region qualifying meet in Auburn, Ala., Nov. 13. South Florida took top honors in the team competition, notching a score of 70, and Florida finished second with 89 points.

Senior Angie Pothier claimed All-Region accolades by taking 16th place with a time of 17:31.21. This marks the second year in a row that she has earned the honor.

Senior Mindy Watkins finished in 34th place (17:55.95) and classmate Amy Bartosik crossed the line in 43rd (18:07.05) in a field of 156.

Freshman Christy Baird took 50th place, crossing the finish line with a 18:13.79 clip, and senior Meghan Mantlo followed with a time of 18:32.74 in 65th position. Freshman Amber Ayub was the final Orange and White harrier to finish, taking 130th place (20:01.96).

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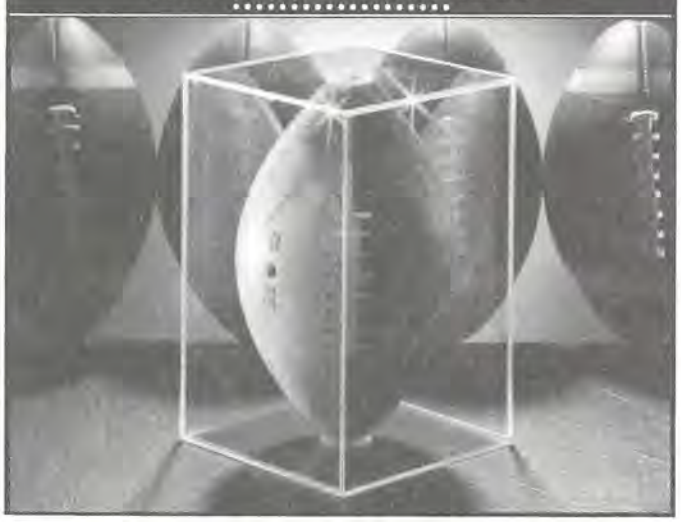

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This Week In Big Orange Country

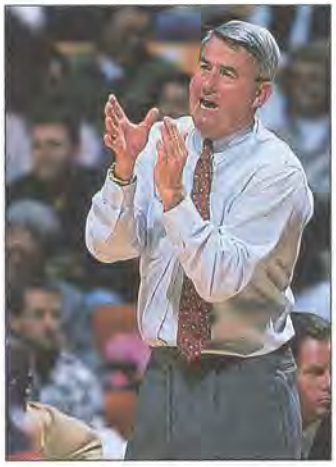
Vols Ink Two in Early Signing Period

The University of Tennessee has officially announced the signing of Andy Ikeakor of Houston, Texas, and Brandon Crump of Klein, Texas, to national letters of intent during the early signing period.

Ikeakor, a 6-8, 245-pound post prospect, inked papers with the Vols at Houston's Westbury Christian School.

Ikeakor averaged 14 points and 10 rebounds per game last season as a junior at Houston's Westbury Christian School, which has won the past four state Class AAA titles. He earned All-State honors in Texas' private and parochial league that is comprised of more than 300 schools. He attended last summer's prestigious ABCD camp in New Jersey and played with his local AAU team in the Steamboat Classic in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Ikeakor's Westbury Christian team begins the 1999-2000 season ranked as the No. 1 team in Texas' Class AAA this season. His high school coach, Greg Glenn, played college basketball at David Lipscomb in Nashville.



Coach Jerry Green received two new signees during the early signing period.

Crump's signing unites him with Ikeakor, who signed with the Vols last week on the first day of the early signing period. "Brandon is a versatile and athletic big man, whose best basketball should be ahead of him," said coach Green. "He comes from a successful high school program and has played against good competition. We are excited that Brandon has decided to join our program and look forward to having him join our basketball family." He is a 6-10, 210 pound prospect.

Crump averaged 17 points, 10 rebounds, 5 assists, 3.5 blocks and 3 steals per game last season to help Klein High School advance to Texas' Class 5A State Tournament. Crump earned All-State and All-Conference honors as a junior and his team is ranked No. 7 in the state entering the 1999-2000 campaign. He has been elected team captain for the upcoming season for coach Glenn Arnold's Bearcat squad.

Last summer, Crump, considered a consensus top 50 prospect, attended the prestigious invitation-only adidas ABCD camp and played for the Texas Blue Chip AAU team.

Crump and his parents made an official visit to the Tennessee campus Nov. 6-7. The early signing period for college basketball began Nov. 10 and continued through Nov. 17.

—David Grim

Former Lady Vols Inducted Into Hall of Fame

During the weekend of Nov. 12-14, the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in conjunction with State Farm Insurance held weekend ceremonies to "Tip-Off" the 1999-2000 season with 24 new members being inducted into the Hall of Fame in Knoxville. Capping things off for the weekend, the State Farm Tip-Off Classic was held at Thompson-Boling Arena where N.C. State met Rutgers and the No. 2-ranked homestanding Lady Vols took on Louisiana Tech.

For Tennessee, it was an especially nice weekend as two former members, Cindy Noble Hauserman and Patricia (Pat) Roberts, were part of the 24-member class being enshrined.

Hauserman was a two-time Olympian (1980 and 1984). She represented the United States in international competition at the World University games and Spartaciade Games in 1979, as well as the World Championships and Pan American Games in 1983. She played professionally in Italy and Japan. But many fans remember her play as a member of the Lady Vols.

During her time at Tennessee, she earned Kodak All-America honors during her senior campaign in 1981. Back then Hauserman was known by her maiden name of Noble. In her three years on the squad,.she averaged in double figures in scoring (12.8 ppg.- So., 17.8 ppg.- Jr., and 14.6 ppg.- Sr.) while leading the Lady Vols to two second place finishes in the AIAW National Championship Tournament in 1979-80 and 1980-81. During her sophomore season the Lady Vols finished the season with a third place finish in that very same tournament.

The second member to be inducted was Roberts, who still holds the school record for points in a game (51) and points in a season (987). Roberts amazingly enough only played one season at Tennessee, her senior year, where she averaged 29.9 ppg and 14.2 rebounds per contest. Her 29.9 ppg. is also a school record.

She earned a silver medal at the 1976 Olympics and was part of the first women's basketball team to take part in Olympic competition. She was also part of the 1978 World University Games and was a captain of the 1979 U.S. National Team.

Other members inducted included: Alline Banks Sprouse, Mildred Barnes, Breezy Bishop, E. Wayne Cooley, Nancy Dunkle, Fran Garmon, Dorothy Gates, Sue Gunter, Rita Horky, Betty Janes, George Killian, Kim Mulkey-Robertson, Lorene Ramsey, Sue Rojcewicz, Cathy Rush, Juliene Simpson, Boris Stankovic, Olga Sukharnova, Katherine Washington, Dean Weese, Marcy Weston and Kay Yow.

—Donnell Field

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VASF & Marketing News

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VASF Fund Drive Workers Needed

The end of the calendar year is nearly here. The VASF will soon begin its annual Fund Drive, a two-month long campaign to increase membership in the VASF, as well as to encourage current members to raise their levels of giving. Various rewards and other benefits await those who answer the call to be a fund drive worker. Workers are divided into teams by geographic regions and compete for individual and team prizes. The grand prize team gets the opportunity to run through the 'T' with the Tennessee Volunteers at a home football game for the 2000 season. The first-place team gets to travel to a Vol road game next fall. For more information, or to sign up to be worker, contact Bill Myers in the VASF office at (865) 974-1218.

Make Your 2000 Gift Early

This fall is an excellent time to make your 2000 contribution and possibly receive 1999 tax benefits. Consult your tax advisor. All 2000 credit card gifts must be received in the VASF office by Dec. 10 to ensure 1999 tax credit. For more information, contact Suzie Miller in the VASF office at (865) 974-1218.

VASF Collegiate Club Corner

The VASF Collegiate Club, comprised of those Tennessee students who are active members in the VASF while still in school, has started the basketball season off right with two exhibition wins as well as continuing to support the football team in its quest for a BCS bowl bid.

Club members create the various signs that hang in the north end zone and around the rails of the Arena for various Volunteer home events. They also distribute shakers within the student sections at all home and within designated Tennessee sections at away contests.

This past weekend, 20 members traveled up I-75 into Lexington, Ky., to watch the Vols take on the Cats in the newly-expanded Commonwealth Stadium. Club members also distributed more than 4,500 shakers to the Tennessee faithful upon their arrival at the stadium.

This week, the VASF CC members are also sponsoring a food drive to feed several needy families in the Knoxville area for Thanksgiving.

Contact Marc Gibson in the VASF office at (865) 974-1218 for more information about the club, including how to join or how to sponsor shakers for 1999-2000 basketball or 2000 football games.

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Mix 95.7 Mini-Megaphone Night

The Tennessee home basketball game against the South Florida Bulls will be Mix 95.7 Mini-Megaphone night, with the first 1,000 Vol fans through the gates receiving a free mini-megaphone with which to cheer on the Volunteers this basketball season.

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Contact the Ticket office at (865) 656-1200 for ticket brochures and order information.

WVLT Schedule Magnet Night

The Tennessee home basketball game against Elon (Nov. 22) will be WVLT Schedule Magnet night, with the first 5,000 Volunteer fans through the gates receiving a free 1999-2000 men's basketball schedule magnet.

Turkey, Basketball & Football

Vol fans, mark your calendars now for one wild holiday weekend. First, the basketball team hosts UNC-Asheville Wed., Nov. 24 (the day before Thanksgiving), then the basketball team plays Long Island Fri., Nov. 26. Following that will be the football game against Vanderbilt Sat. Nov. 27.

Note that the Nov. 26 game against Long Island will also be "show your Vandy ticket night," as all Vol fans showing a valid ticket for Saturday's Tennessee-Vanderbilt football game will receive an opportunity to purchase two basketball tickets for the price of one. Contact the Ticket office at (865) 656-1200 for more details.

—Steve Sams

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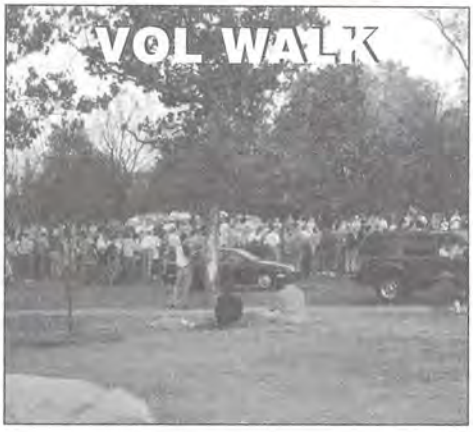

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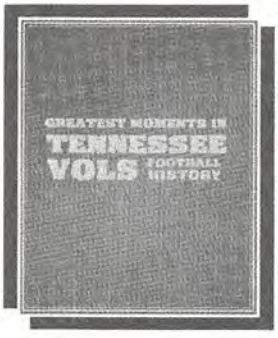

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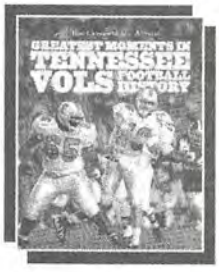

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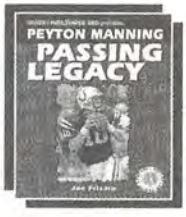

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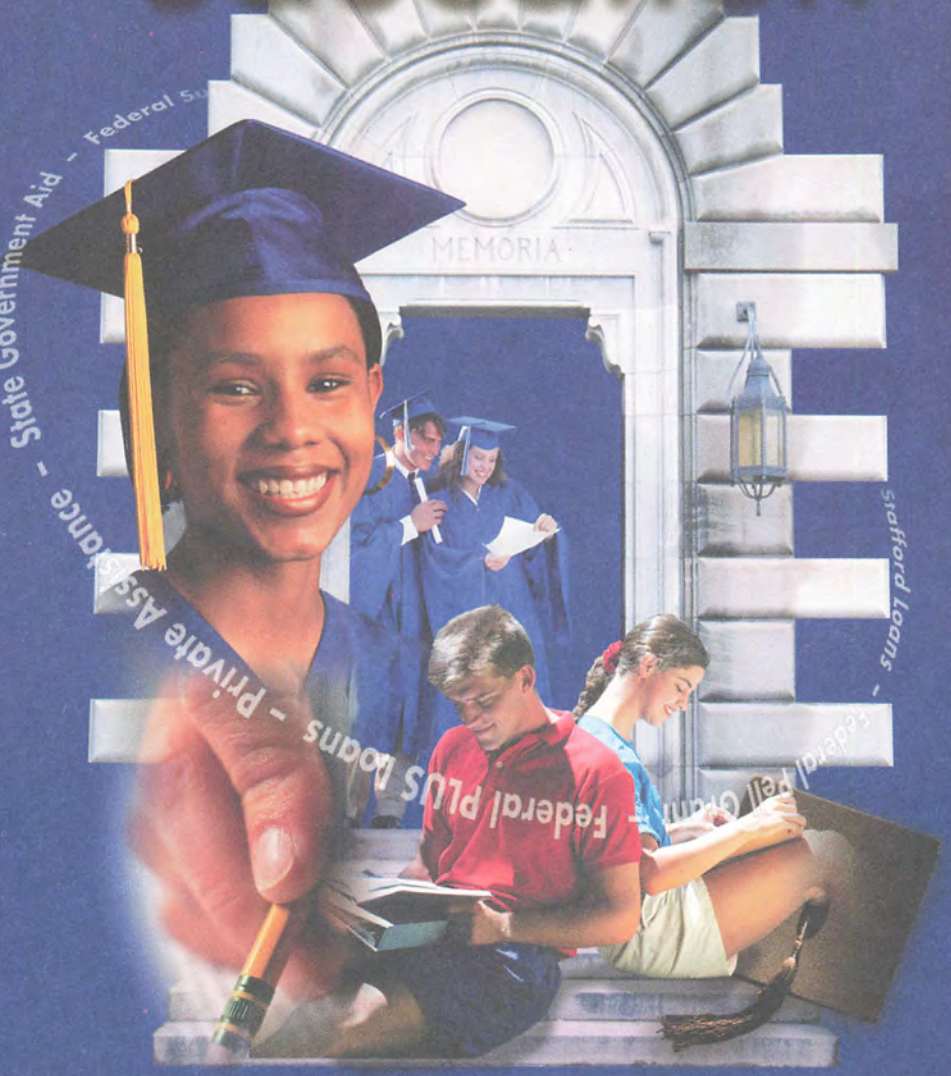

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FROM THE HARDWOOD...

Vols Post Two Exhibition Wins

Tennessee closed out its exhibition schedule Nov. 15 with a 78-69 victory over CBC Siroki at Thompson-Boling Arena.

C.J. Black led the Vols with 14 points and Vincent Yarbrough added 12. Marcus Haislip and Jenis Grindstaff tossed in 10 each.

The Vols opened the game hitting their first five shots with each one coming from a different starter. They eventually hit 14 of their first 16 shots from the field.

"We wanted to get out and play well from the opening tip," Grindstaff said. "We have a lot of balance and lot of people who can score, and it showed tonight."

A steal and a break-away dunk by Harris Walker gave the Vols a 32-11 lead with 12:45 left in the first half. The lead eventually stretched out to 71-42 after Jon Higgins hit a 3-pointer with 8:44 left in the game.

But a 3-pointer by Damir Vujanovic started a 22-3 run for Siroki to close out the game. The visitors eventually cut the lead down the seven points with 42 seconds left but could get no closer.

"We need to make sure we play for 40 minutes and keep our intensity up," Black said. "We need to keep running our plays and not play one-on-one."

Siroki was led by Walsh Jordan's 24 points and got 14 points from Pero Ramic. Zlatko Bacurin added 13 points and had a game-high 10 rebounds.

"Jordan did a great job for them," Tennessee coach Jerry Green said. "If their team played the whole game like they did the second half, it would have been a very close game. They were really shooting well in the second half."

The Vols open up the regular season Monday against Elon at 7:30 p.m. at Thompson-Boling Arena.

"It's been a long time since we've played, and we are looking forward to getting started," Black said. "The exhibition games are good to let you know where you stand, but we are ready to start the season."

Tennessee placed six players in double figures Thursday to post a 110-80 victory over Marathon in an exhibition game at Thompson-Boling Arena.

Freshman Jon Higgins led the Vols with 18 points including four 3-pointers. Marcus Haislip added 14 points and 10 rebounds, and Jenis Grindstaff had 13 points. Marathon was led by Feron Hand's 22 points and 11 rebounds with Joe McLean scoring 22 points as well.

A Higgins 3-pointer gave the Vols a 20-9 lead with 13:16 remaining in the first half. Grindstaff stretched the lead to 38-18 with a 3-pointer of his own at the 6:40 mark.

Marathon was never able to cut the lead back to single digits as Tennessee's lead eventually grew to 32 points in the second half.

Isiah Victor and C.J. Black had 12 points for Tennessee, and Charles Hathaway finished with 11.

—Rob Hardin

C.J. Black led the Vols with 26 points in the two contests, shooting 8-15 from the floor.

NCAA BOX SCORE
EXHIBITION

NOV. 15

Tennessee 78, CBC Siroki 69

Siroki 69

Bacurin 5-8 0-0 13, Vulic 0-4 2-2 2, Rados 4-10 0-0 8, Vujanovic 2-9 2-2 6, Jordan 9-15 2-2 24, Topic 1-1 0-0 2, Boric 0-1 0-0 0, Ramic 5-7 4-4 14. TOTALS 26-55 8-8 69.

Tennessee 78

Yarbrough 6-9 0-1 12, Victor 3-5 2-2 8, Black 4-9 5-6 14, Grindstaff 4-8 0-0 10, Harris 2-4 0-0 5, Walker 4-8 0-0 9, Haislip 3-5 4-4 10, Turner 0-0 0-0 0, Woods 0-3 0-0 0, Baker 0-4 0-0 0, Davis 1-1 0-0 2, Higgins 1-3 2-2 5, Hathaway 0-5 3-4 3. TOTALS 28-64 16-19 78.

Halftime score: *Tennessee 42-27. 3-point field goals: Siroki 9-23 (Bacurin 3-4, Vulic 0-2, Vuljanovic 2-8, Jordan 4-8, Borcic 0-1), Tennessee 6-22 (Yarbrough 0-1, Black 1-3, Grindstaff 2-4, Harris 1-3, Walker 1-3, Haislip 0-2, Woods 0-2, Baker 0-1, Higgins 1-3). Rebounds: Siroki 33 (Bacurin 10), Tennessee 35 (Hathaway 7). Assists: Siroki 16 (Bacurin 3), Tennessee 16 (Harris 7). Fouled out: Ramic. A: 3615.* ***Tennessee 110, Marathon 80***

NOV. 11

Marathon 80

Hand 8-13 6-6 22, Allen 2-7 0-0 4, Yokum 2-4 0-0 4, McLean 9-14 2-2 22, Taft 1-4 2-2 4, Ausborne 2-8 2-2 7, Reiner 5-10 0-0 14, Cunningham 1-7 1-2 3. TOTALS 30-67 13-17 80.

Tennessee 110

Yarbrough 2-5 3-4 7, Victor 5-6 2-3 12, Black 4-6 4-6 12, Grindstaff 4-10 2-2 13, Harris 2-7 1-2 7, Walker 2-5 0-0 4, Haislip 5-9 4-5 14, Turner 0-1 0-0 0, Woods 2-6 3-5 8, Baker 1-8 0-2 2, Davis 1-5 0-0 2, Higgins 6-9 2-4 18, Hathaway 5-7 1-2 11. TOTALS 39-84 22-35 110.

Halftime score: *Tennessee 53-36. 3-point field goals: Marathon 7-21 (Allen 0-2, McLean 2-5, Ausborne 1-4, Reiner 4-8, Cunningham 0-2), Tennessee 10-30 (Yarbrough 0-2, Black 0-2, Grindstaff 3-6, Harris 2-5, Haislip 0-2, Woods 1-3, Baker 0-3, Higgins 4-7). Rebounds: Marathon 39 (Hand 11), Tennessee 51 (Haislip 10). Assists: Marathon 17 (Hand 4, Taft 4), Tennessee 23 (Harris 6). Fouled out: Yokum. Technical Foul: Allen, Sam Foggin (2). Ejection: Foggin. A: 3806*

Lady Vols Lose Close One in Tip-Off

Tamicha Jackson scored 21 points and Betty Lennox had 20 to lead No. 6 Louisiana Tech over second-ranked Tennessee 69-64 Sunday in the Women's Tip-off Classic.

For the Lady Volunteers, it was their first home court loss since a 1996 defeat by Stanford.

For Louisiana Tech, whose record against the Lady Vols is now 17-15, including a loss in the 1998 NCAA title game, it was the Lady Techsters' first victory over Tennessee since 1996-97.

The Lady Techsters hung on after Tennessee rallied from 18 points down in the second half to tie it at 58 with 5:13 to play on a putback by Michelle Snow.

But Jackson and Lennox kept their team in it and ended up hitting three crucial free throws and two field goals down the stretch to preserve the victory.

Jackson and Lennox each had 12 points at halftime to put Louisiana Tech ahead 33-25.

NCAA BOX SCORE

La. Tech 69, Tennessee 64

La. Tech (1-0)

Walker 3-8 3-4 9, Lennox 8-16 4-4 20, Massey 4-10 5-8 13, Sides 0-2 0-0 0, Jackson 9-27 1-1 21, Moore 0-0 0-0 0, Lassiter 0-1 0-0 0, Ford 0-0 0-0 0, Lewis 0-0 0-0 0, Frierson 2-3 2-3 6. TOTALS 26-67 15-21 69.

Tennessee (0-1)

Jackson 3-9 2-2 8, Catchings 4-10 5-8 16, Snow 1-6 0-0 2, Clement 2-9 5-7 9, Randall 5-14 4-4 15, Elzy 0-2 5-6 5, McDivitt 0-1 0-0 0, Lawson 2-5 3-4 9, Pillow 0-0 0-0 0. TOTALS 17-56 24-31 64..

Halftime score: *La. Tech 33-25. 3-point field goals: La. Tech 2-10 (Lennox 0-2, Sides 0-1, Jackson 2-7), Tennessee 6-15 (Jackson 0-1, Catchings 3-5, Clement 0-2, Randall 1-2, Lawson 2-5). Rebounds: La. Tech 41 (Massey 10), Tennessee 39 (Randall 10). Assists: La. Tech 7 (Sides 2, Jackson 2, Lassiter 2), Tennessee 10 (Clement 7). Fouled out: Sides. A: 10,086.*

The Lady Techsters opened the second half with a 12-2 run and pushed their lead to 45-27 with 16:46 to play.

The Lady Vols fought back behind the tenacious defense of Kyra Elzy, who missed last season with a knee injury, and a roaring home crowd of 10,142.

Following Snow's putback, Tamika Catchings hit a free throw to give the Lady Vols a 59-58 lead at 4:22.

The teams traded baskets until a jumper by Jackson with 1:05 left put the Lady Techsters up to stay at 66-64.

Catchings led Tennessee with 16 points and Semeka Randall had 15.

QUOTES:

"Louisiana Tech deserved this basketball game. They deserve a lot of credit. Their guard play was better than ours and their post play was better than ours.

"Shaka Massey came up with big buckets and big rebounds. Their inside game was stronger than ours. What really disappoints me was our lack of defensive intensity early, and their guard and post play dominated the game.

"They have a strong 1-2 punch in the backcourt. I don't know of one that is quicker. Betty Lennox did an excellent job out of the middle and Tamicha Jackson was really quick Louisiana Tech played smart down the stretch. You have to give them a lot of credit for coming in here with the attitude they did.

"Michelle Snow was a non-factor today. Our post players shoot the basketball, but they don't box out and that hurt us.

"I will learn more about this team tomorrow when we come to practice, and then we'll see how we handle this.

"We let off on our defense. I was also disappointed in our decision-making and game management. The clock ran down and we didn't make smart shots and didn't make good decisions. We have to learn to play better together in pressure-type defensive situations.

"Tonight we saw this team go out with a new point guard, a freshman in the starting lineup and a freshman off the bench. This team has a chance to be a great basketball team in March, but we need more people accountable on both ends of the court, making defensive and offensive plays. The junior class also has to grab this team and take responsibility for leadership."

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Billy Ratliff...

Making a Difference

One player listed on Tennessee's injury report is defensive tackle Billy Ratliff. He has been listed as out for the season since breaking his leg in the 24-0 victory over Auburn.

But one look down the Tennessee sideline will show Ratliff wearing his No. 40 jersey. One more note. When Tennessee's defense is on the field, he is wearing his helmet.

No, Ratliff hasn't made a dramatic recovery from his injury, but he hasn't lost his love for the game of football either.

"It just shows how much love he has for the game and how much he love he has for us," senior defensive back Fred White said. "It makes him feel like he is part of the game when he puts his helmet on. I want him to feel that way."

Seeing Ratliff wearing his helmet on the sideline has been no surprise for his teammates and coaches.

"What would surprise most people is that he would go out there and play if we would let him," defensive tackle coach Dan Brooks said. "Billy loves the game of football, loves this team and he would go out there and play. In his mind, he wanted to let the football team know he was with them."

Having Ratliff on the sideline has been a source of motivation for the Vols.

"It gets you fired up and sends chills down your body to see him over there," White said. "It lets you know that any play can be your last play so go out and play as hard as you can.

"It's a big emotional thing to have him on the sidelines. We love having him on the sidelines because he is somebody you can look at and say he worked hard every day. But injuries just go to him. It helps us to know to give 100 percent and go out and play hard."

Injuries certainly have really gotten to Ratliff. The broken leg is just the latest in an injury-filled career.

His first injury came while he was in high school in Magnolia, Miss., when he injured his right knee. He overcame that and earned a scholarship to UT. During preseason practice his freshman year, he suffered a stress fracture in his leg, so he was redshirted. The next season, he injured his left knee in the South Carolina game after replacing Leonard Little who had also injured his knee in that same game.

Then during September 1997, Ratliff lay motionless on Hudson Field after receiving a hit during a goal line drill. He was taken to UT Medical Center where he spent the night in intensive care. The feeling in Ratliff's upper body eventually returned, and he only missed one game.

At the start of fall practice this season, Ratliff was in the best shape of his career and optimistic.

"The training room has paid off, and I haven't had any pain," Ratliff said prior to the season. "I know I can play a whole game if they let me."

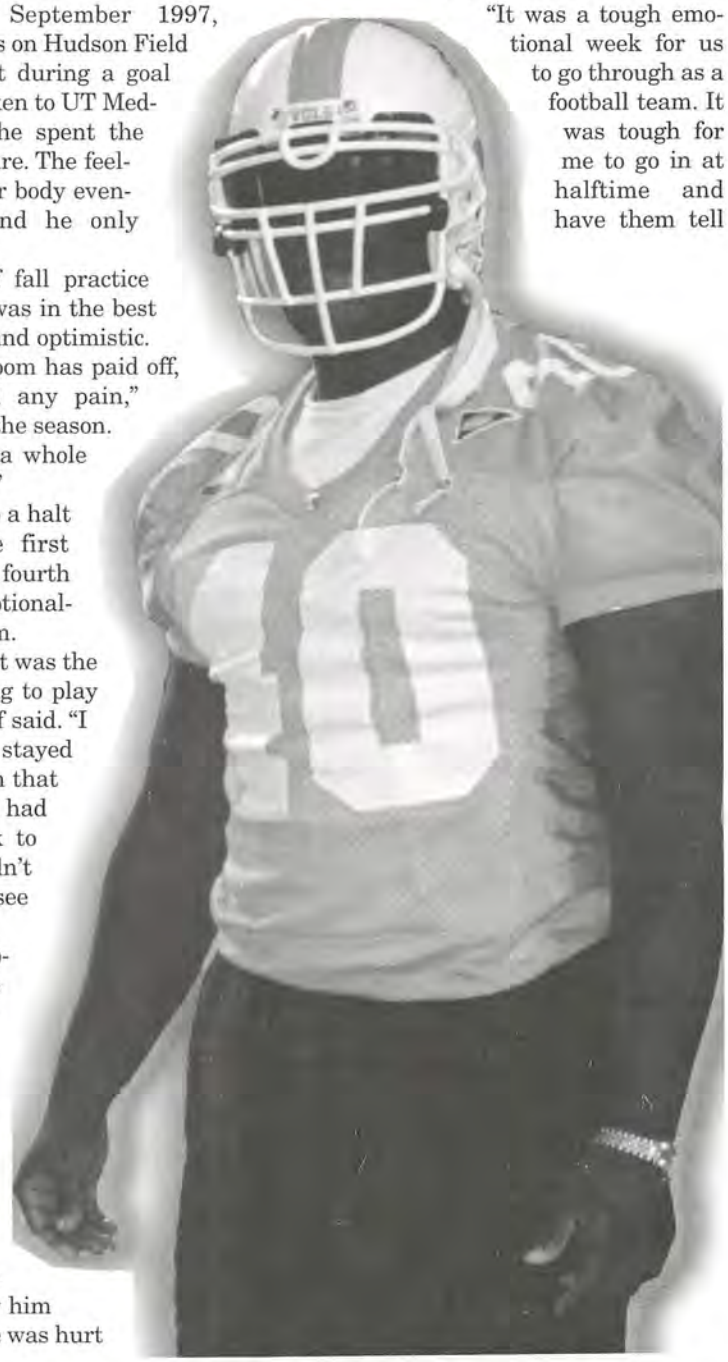
All that came to a halt though during the first half of the season's fourth game. It was an emotionally tough time for him.

"I just knew that was the last time I was going to play on that field," Ratliff said. "I would have rather stayed on the sidelines with that pain than to leave. I had them take me back to the hospital. I didn't want the fans to see me like that."

It was an emotionally tough time for his teammates and coaches as well.

"You are in the middle of a ball game and all that, but I could have just cried," Brooks said. "When I looked out on the field and saw him sitting up, I knew he was hurt bad. He is not the kind of guy you can keep down on the field. He said he knew it was broken when he got hit. It was tough for me, but you have to go on and help the rest of the football team. That's the way Billy would have had it.

"It was a tough emotional week for us to go through as a football team. It was tough for me to go in at halftime and have them tell



me he's done. I've been around him through all he has gone through and have seen how much he has given this football program. It was really tough."

Ratliff's teammates were also emotionally affected by Ratliff's injury.

"It was hard for a lot of people to see Billy get hurt, but for myself it was really hard," senior defensive tackle Darwin Walker said. "I'm so used to seeing him beside me and seeing him at practice. Those kinds of things happen. This is football. We just play as hard we can and pray that he will get better."

Although Ratliff wants to physically be on the playing field, he is still having an impact.

"I didn't know for a long time that Billy was wearing his helmet, and one of my guys said Billy was putting his helmet on," Brooks said. "He told me he was ready if I needed him. That's the kind of thing he brings to the table.

"He is such a part of this team. He is talking to the young guys on the bench. Whether he is out on the field or not, he is making a valuable contribution to our football team."

Perhaps what Ratliff will be remembered for the most occurred during the Vols' dramatic 28-24 victory over Arkansas during the 1998 National Championship season.

With less than two minutes on the clock, the Vols found themselves trailing 24-22. Arkansas had the ball and the game seemed hopeless. But on a third down play, Ratliff burst through the line of scrimmage. Arkansas quarterback Clint Stoerner lost his balance. He was holding the ball in his left hand and put down the hand to try to regain his balance. When the ball hit the ground, it popped out of his hand, and Ratliff was there to recover the fumble. Forty-three yards later, Travis Henry scored a touchdown and the Vols were on their way to a National Championship.

"The player in front of Billy was a great one, and Billy knocked him off the line of scrimmage," Brooks said. "Whether he caused the fumble, I won't say, but our front attacking the quarterback was a factor. Billy made a great play."

Ratliff began the season in strong form registering 13 tackles (9 solos and 4 assists) while breaking up 4 passes and having a tackle for loss (-2). Now he is an inspirational leader for one of the nation's best defenses.

Perhaps, it was the play of the season for the Vols.

"If you ask me, that was biggest play of our season," linebacker Raynoch Thompson said in the days leading to the Fiesta Bowl. "What everybody talks about is the quarterback fumbling and how lucky it was. What they forget is that Billy knocked his man into the quarterback to make him fumble."

Ratliff's impact was certainly felt in that game, but his presence is still being felt by the Vols.

"Billy has a much passion to play football as anybody I've ever seen," head coach Phillip Fulmer said. "He not only plays it, but he plays it with an enthusiasm, an energy and an excitement that brings another level of enjoyment to everybody on the practice field."

—Rob Hardin

Year	Tackles	Assists	Total Hits	Fum Rec	Fum Cau	QB Sacks	TFL	Ints
1998	19	10	29	2	0	1	4	-
1997	11	6	17	0	2	0	7	-
1996	24	10	34	0	0	2	7	-
	54	26	80	2	2	3	18	-

Faces in Big Orange Country

Junior **Semeka Randall** is no stranger to success for the Lady Vol basketball team as she enters her junior campaign for the Orange and White. The 5-10 guard from Cleveland, Ohio, was named to the Associated Press preseason All-America team as well as to the preseason All-SEC squad. Randall began the season well against Louisiana Tech, netting 15 points and 10 rebounds in the game, recording the sixth double-double of her career. She has successfully come back from off-season surgery to repair a torn ligament in her ankle and is a nominee for the Naismith Player of the Year award. Her enthusiasm and work ethic have endeared her to the Lady Vol faithful.

A junior linebacker from Jasper, **Eric Westmoreland** has risen through the defensive ranks to become a force from his outside linebacker position. A tailback in high school, "Emo" has the speed and agility to cover a wide receiver or running back out of the backfield. As a starter in 1998, he ranked second on the team in tackles with 79, while making 11 tackles for loss and intercepting a pass. He tied for second on the team with Big Plays with 19. In his second game in 1997, against UCLA, he tore knee ligaments and received a medical redshirt. He was one of the state's top prospects and was voted Class AAA Mr. Football. He was also a two-time All-State selection and team MVP in 1994-95.

Fans wondered whether **Shaun Ellis** would be able to return to form after a traffic accident nearly cost him his career last season. Ellis has responded and is highly-regarded as one of college football's top defensive end prospects come the April NFL draft. On the season, Ellis has recorded eight sacks and 37 tackles. He has caused two fumbles and also added 10 tackles for loss. Last season, Ellis intercepted Auburn QB Ben Leard's pass in the backfield and rambled 90 yards for a pivotal Vol TD. Ellis came to the Vols from Anderson, S.C., where he was an All-State selection. He was ranked among the nation's top 100 prospects. Ellis has also made the most academically while at UT. He garnered Academic All-SEC honors in 1997.

Emily Hadley joined the University of Tennessee rowing staff during the summer of 1999 and is currently responsible for the development of over 40 novice athletes. Hadley spent one-year with the Kansas State rowing program where she was responsible for developing coxswains by teaching voice training, steering techniques, technical aspects of the stroke and race preparation and planning. She also assisted the recruiting coordinator in identifying and securing talent and organized all facets of three home regattas in addition to her duties as coach of the varsity 4+. Prior to her tenure with the Wildcats, she coached at the Mt. Baker Rowing and Sailing Center in Seattle from 1992-98.

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The Last Word...

A Look Back at 1939

The year was 1939, 60 years ago, when Tennessee set an NCAA record that will, in all likelihood, never be broken. That season, the Vols shut out everybody who showed up on the regular season schedule. One by one, North Carolina State, Sewanee, Chattanooga, Alabama, Mercer, Louisiana State, The Citadel, Vanderbilt, Kentucky and Auburn, fell to a Big Orange juggernaut that racked up 212 points and gave up none. Zero. Nada. Nothing. It was, by all accounts, an amazing season, even if that time in history is considered by many to be the Paleozoic Era of Vol football, long before TV, 24-hour news channels, the Internet, the fax machine and the push button phone.

It was the time of All-Americas George Cafego, Ed Molinski, Bob Suffridge and Abe Shires, and of All-SEC selections Jim Rike and Bob Foxx. (For some reason, consigned to the depths of the history books, Suffridge was an All-America that season, but did not make All-SEC. We know not why. Back to the story.)

The highlight of the season came in the Alabama game Oct. 21. Let Russ Bebb, author of *The Big Orange*, tell the story.

"Some one at the Knoxville News-Sentinel must have been clairvoyant, for displayed prominently on the first sports page of the day of the game, was a two-column picture of the Vols' No. 2 tailback with this caption in bold letters: 'This May Be Johnny Butler's Day to Shine.'

"There were 40,000 pairs of eyes peering down on Shields-Watkins Field, including most of the nation's most famous and critical football experts, all come to watch the celebrated George Cafego. But Butler's second team entered the game in the second quarter. From the Vol 44, heading southward, Butler slashed off tackle, cut back, and then started zigging and zagging, dodging and weaving, darting and dancing. Not a single Alabama player laid a hand on him.

"The Vols' 21-0 victory brought these remarks from some of the most respected members of press and radio:

"Radio announcer Ted Husing: 'These old eyes fairly popped at the Tennessee team they saw today."

"Radio announcer Bill Stern: 'I'll see Tennessee in the Rose Bowl.'

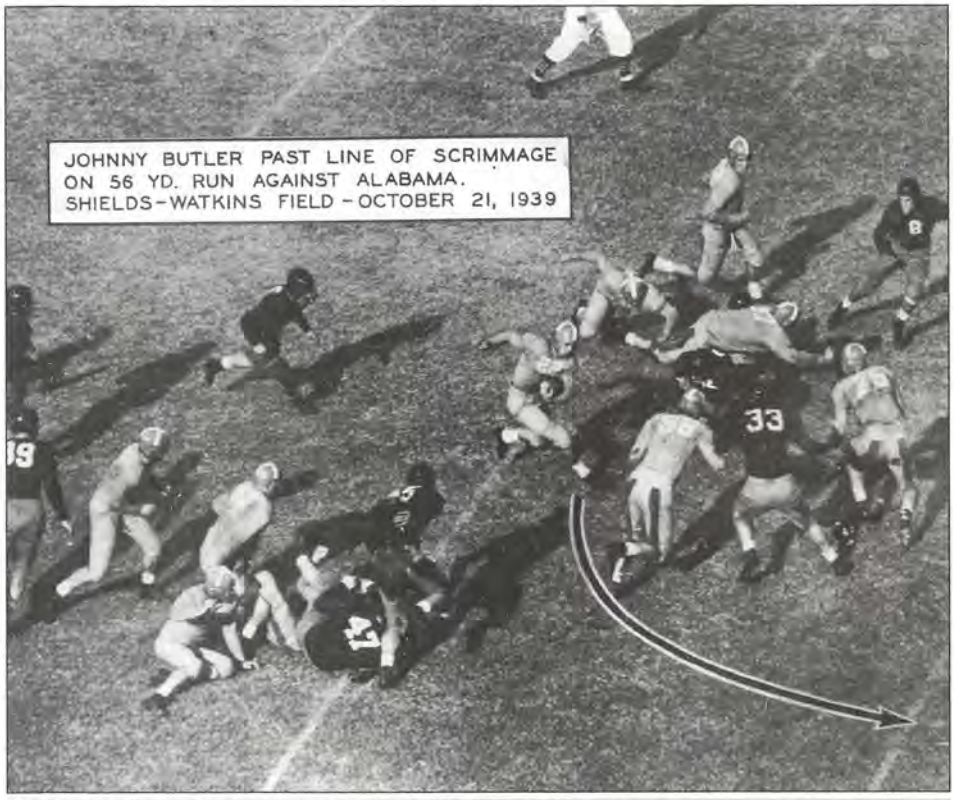
"Henry McLemore of United Press: 'Sparked by swivel-hipped Johnny Butler, a sophomore who runs like a Mercury in a headgear, Tennessee's powerful Volunteers rolled to their seventh consecutive victory today with a crushing 21-0 victory over Alabama's big Crimson Tide.'

"Joe Williams, sports editor of the New York World Telegram: 'Open up the portals of the Rose Bowl, boys, there's a pretty fair country football team heading out that way, the Tennessee Volunteers.'"

Here's the way the Vols lined up that year: Jimmy Coleman and Ed Cifers at end, Shires and Boyd Clay at the tackles, Molinski and Suffridge at the guards (and the Vols may not have ever had a better pair of guards for their time), Rike at center, Sam Bartholomew (who won the Jacobs Blocking Trophy in 1938 and 1939 as the SEC's best blocker) at blocking back, Foxx at wingback, Cafego at tailback and Leonard Coffman, considered one of the Vols' toughest players ever, at fullback. Talk about an assemblage of talent.

The relationship between Suffridge and Neyland was always tumultuous, as witnessed by the following exchange, which may or may not be true. Of stuff like this are legends made.

"Just before the 1938 season



No. 2 tailback Johnny Butler (22) had one of the most memorable runs in Tennessee football history in the 1939 Alabama game, 60 years ago this past October.

began," Bebb wrote, "Neyland informed Suffridge that he and Jimmy Coleman, his roommate in 1937, could no room together again. Suff and Coleman were pranksters of the first order. Neyland, the man Suffridge and friends called 'The Bull,' told him to see Coach Britton for another roommate. 'I sure will, sir,' Suffridge told him. 'I don't like Jimmy anyway; he's always getting me in trouble.'

"After fall practice started, Neyland approached Suffridge and asked, 'Who are rooming with now, Suffridge?'

"'Jimmy Coleman,' came the answer.

"'What! I thought I told you that you had to have another roommate,' Neyland stormed.

"'Well, nobody else would room with me, and nobody else would room with Coleman.'

"'You two remind me of a couple of cadets I knew at West Point,' Neyland declared.

"'And who was the other one?," Suffridge asked."

Tomfoolery not withstanding, this was a pretty good team. How they shut out 10 regular season opponents and didn't win the national championship is still a mystery to longtime Vol fans.

It was a remarkable time on campus, like it is today, when young men dressed in Orange and White do great things on the gridiron and contribute to the Vol legend.

One final note. Life Magazine, then in its fourth year of existence, came to campus to take a look at the Vol program and Cafego in particular and here's what they found and reported.

"The University of Tennessee is a romantic place, especially in October, when the full Southern moon shines through the magnolia trees. There, whenever coeds talk stop to chat in the moonlight, their talk turns to the great George Cafego. He is Tennessee's hero. Just a few years ago, he was a tough, unhandsome Hungarian Boy, living in the coal mining district of West Virginia. But he could play football. His small town coach had faith in him, took him around to several universities, tried to get him a football scholarship. At last Tennessee agreed to take a chance on him, though they thought he was a too small to make a great player.

"Cafego is one of the greatest backs any Southern team has ever had. He can run, pass, kick, block, Last year, he was on every All-America team. This year, he is even better..."

Bob Suffridge was a three-time All-America selection at Tennessee and is one of the great names in the history of college football.

The passage of time has not dimmed the memories of this bunch or any other that wore the Orange and White so proudly. Vol fans are a faithful bunch who are dedicated to their heroes.

The 1939 team produced four Hall of Fame members, Molinski, Suffridge, Cafego and Neyland, and created memories by the bushel.

Despite the fact the 1939 season ended the wrong way, with Cafego on the planks with a bum knee and the Vols losing the Rose Bowl to Southern Cal by 14-0, no one can seriously doubt that, of all the Vol squads that took Shields-Watkins Field and other venues across the south and elsewhere, this one is one of the best ever assembled on the Hill. No doubt about it.

These guys, along with many others, laid the foundation for the Vol tradition we know and cherish today. When Vol fans yell "Defense, Defense," it was the 1939 team that defined that word.

Most of them are gone now. Cifers still lives in Knoxville, Coffman in Greeneville, and there are others scattered around here and there, connections to a grand and glorious time in Vol football.

That's their story. The years have not dimmed their accomplishments. Tennessee football is the better for them having been a part of it all.

—Tom Mattingly

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